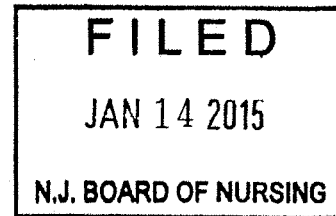


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IN THE MATTER OF THE  
LICENSE OF

Administrative Action

ERIC POLO, R.N.  
LICENSE #NO ~~98719600~~

ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT  
OF LICENSE

*NO 09819600*  
TO PRACTICE AS A  
REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSE  
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of respondent's petition for reinstatement of his nursing license. Mr. Polo's license had

been suspended by means of a Final Order of Discipline filed on May 8, 2014. By the terms of that order, respondent's nursing license was suspended until he was able to demonstrate that he was fit and competent to practice by undergoing evaluation and monitoring under the auspices of the Recovery and Monitoring Program of New Jersey (RAMP), and until he was able to demonstrate that he had satisfied continuing education requirements for the 2010-2012 licensing cycle; a reprimand for misrepresentation on his 2012 renewal application with respect to continuing education requirements, and a \$250 civil penalty for failure to timely complete continuing education, were also imposed. Respondent came to the Board's attention due to purported charting anomalies reported by Newton Medical Center, followed by respondent's refusal to voluntarily and confidentially undergo evaluation to reassure the Board that these anomalies were not the result of diversion of medication for his own use.

Subsequent to the filing of the Final Order of Discipline, respondent enrolled in RAMP for evaluation and monitoring, and was discharged from RAMP on October 28, 2014, after RAMP found that he was fit and competent to practice. The Board was advised that respondent had complied with the evaluation process and had met all RAMP's expectations. Respondent has been released from further participation in the RAMP program, and RAMP now

recommends reinstatement of his nursing license. Respondent also has now submitted documentation of completion of continuing education requirements for the 2010-2012 and 2012-2014 licensing cycles.

The Board finding that reinstatement of respondent's nursing license is appropriate at this time, and that the within Order is sufficiently protective of the public health, safety and welfare, in lieu of further proceedings, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS, ON THIS *14<sup>th</sup>* DAY OF *January*, 2015  
HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent's petition for reinstatement of his license to practice nursing in New Jersey is granted upon review and approval of a completed application for reinstatement along with the requisite fees, information, and required continuing education, and the Criminal History Background Check, if necessary and not already provided.

2. Of the continuing education documentation submitted, 13.75 contact hours of the nursing continuing education completed in 2014 are eligible for use in satisfying the continuing education obligation for the 2014-2016 licensing cycle. No other continuing education hours submitted by

respondent to the Board for the 2010-2012 and 2012-2014 periods shall be counted toward the continuing education requirements for 2014-2016.

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